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Harney county's resources are attracting the attention of the entire West. Irrigation, stock raising, mines, oil and gas prospects and agriculture—all awaiting development.

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BIG ADVANTAGE FOR IRRIGATION CHEAP

Frank Johnson Enthusiastic Over Irrigation: Has Watched Development

"There isn't another place in Oregon where the people have such an advantage for cheap irrigation," said Frank Johnson the other day when talking of the Harney Valley Irrigation District matters. "You don't require more than half as much water here as we do at the Ochoco or on the Warm Springs projects," continued Mr. Johnson, "for the reason that your soil will sub-irrigate."

Mr. Johnson is a crank on irrigation; at least that's the way he puts it, but as a matter of fact he is simply enthusiastic because of his observations and his interest in seeing things develop. He has resided at Prineville practically all his life. He has seen the country grow from a strictly stock country to one of the most prosperous diversified farming sections in the entire state. He sees today on land that a few years ago was considered not fit for anything, growing 40 bushel wheat—and with about half the water it could use advantageously and what it will finally get when the irrigation project is in full working order.

"Just as soon as the reservoir is filled and with normal conditions prevailing in the weather line, I'm sure the crops grown under that project in one season will pay the cost of the entire project," said Mr. Johnson. "You people will cover a larger area than the Ochoco and under vastly more favorable construction conditions, so I hope you all realize what it means to the community and what it means to greater production."

"I have been looking over the country during my travels back and forth this season, and while we are going to have one of the biggest crop years in our history on the Ochoco, I have failed to see anywhere better alfalfa or grain than I have seen in this valley during this season. Get busy and stand behind your irrigation organization and push the project to completion just as fast as you can."

COMMERCIAL CLUB ON THE JOB

The weekly luncheon of the Commercial Club held at noon Friday of this week was attended by 48 of the business men of the City and was a great success, both from the point of attendance and from the interest taken in the discussions.

Chas. W. Ellis led the discussion on "City needs." Mr. A. R. Olsen discussed the problems of "Colonization" and Mr. J. J. Donegan presented the highway problem. Each subject elicited discussion by a number of our citizens, and all went away from the luncheon with a better understanding of the problems that confront the community and County and a better idea of methods of accomplishing the desired results.

The opportunity of a life time is now before the people of this county. We have in this County one of very few large bodies of high class and desirable cheap lands that will attract outside capital and settlers. Our problem is to get the settlers and capital in touch with our country. With our irrigation project under way, as it now is, there is nothing to prevent an era of real prosperity in our county, and every citizen of the county should do his and her best to see that accurate and full information is in the hands of all who desire it.

There is no community in the west that can offer irrigated lands at prices ranging from \$40. to \$100. an acre. Yet we have thousands of acres that are now held at these prices and it is only because our lands are not advertised and made known that we are not flooded with enquiries and that settlers are being diverted to other parts of the west.

NOTICE

A special meeting of Burns Chapter No. 49 O. E. S. Tuesday August 3, 1920, 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of initiation. By order of

LEONA THOMPSON
Worthy Matron, Pro Tem.

PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER ARRIVES IN BURNS

Rev. John H. Wicherson arrived in this city Thursday evening to begin work as pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The young man is a graduate this year from the Omaha Presbyterian Theological Seminary and comes full of energy and ideals. He has had experience in preaching and lecturing in Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa, also in Chicago.

Mr. Wicherson is a pleasant young man to meet and no doubt will be popular with the younger people of this city. He has no family.

Members of the congregation of the Presbyterian church are asked to go to church tomorrow morning at the regular service hour where the new pastor desires to meet them and discuss plans for the future.

A Word to Sheepmen

It will be of interest to all sheepmen in Harney County to know that the various wool growers associations working with the National Farm Bureau, have arranged with the Federal Reserve Board, a plan whereby the wool grower may be financed on this season's wool clip until such time as a normal buyers market prevails. Under no circumstances should the grower sell on the present market and since he can secure a loan of at least 25 per cent per pound on his wool if it is shipped to some wool warehouse, there should be but few instances where the grower cannot hold for a higher price.

This money can be borrowed from your local bank on a bill of lading or it can be borrowed from the wool warehouse companies on either the bill of lading or the warehouse receipts.

The following is a statement authorized by the Federal Reserve Board following the conference of the wool growers and the National Farm Bureau executives at Washington, D. C.:

"The Federal Reserve Board has restored confidence in the wool industry by suggesting a plan for financing the wool growers during the present emergency. By advance arrangement with the Federal Reserve Board, wool growers, bankers, in the wool section and eastern wool markets, wool dealers, warehouse men, manufacturers, and others interested in the wool trade, held an all day session with the Federal Reserve Board yesterday. The condition of the wool market caused by the recent cessation of purchases of raw wool was laid before the board and a full discussion was had of various plans for financing the industry until normal buying operations are resumed. Unlike most other crops, wool is marketed in the spring and early summer, and the marketing conditions prevailing during the past month have threatened great losses to wool growers which might be disastrous. Such condition, if it develops might cause serious sacrifice of sheep on farm and range, and result in reduced supplies of wool and mutton in future years. It was clearly shown that there was no disposition on the part of anyone to maintain artificial prices, but simply to make arrangements by which temporary interruption of the market would be removed and normal marketing conditions restored."

The plan of action finally arrived at was adopted as a more simple and satisfactory way of dealing with the situation than the Cotton Loan Plan of 1914 which had been suggested. At the termination of a conference between the Board and a sub-committee consisting of bankers thoroughly familiar with the entire situation, the Board authorized the following statement:

"A wool grower may ship his wool to one of the usual points of distribution, obtaining from the railroad a bill of lading for the shipment; the grower may then draw a draft against this bank secured by the bill of lading. The Federal Reserve Act authorized any member bank, to accept a draft secured in this manner at the time of acceptance, provided that the draft matures in not more than six months from the time of acceptance. After acceptance such a draft bearing the endorsement of a member bank is eligible for rediscount or purchase by a Federal Reserve Bank.

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TIL TAYLOR BURIED PENDLETON MOURNS

Plea Against Lynch Law in Case Slayers Are Caught

Pendleton, Oregon, July 27.—(Special to the Oregonian)—Til Taylor's body was laid in its final resting place here this afternoon. Tearful tribute was paid the heroic sheriff of Umatilla county all during the morning and the early afternoon by a never-ending procession of loving friends and townsmen. Bowers of flowers decked both the casket and the grave. Among the costly floral pieces were sprinkled bouquets, simple in their majestic surroundings, yet eloquent in the story they told of reverence for the noble man who has rounded up his last desperate criminal.

Hundreds of persons crowded in the Church of the Redeemer where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Alfred Lockwood and hundreds more lined the streets and yard surrounding the church, unable to get close enough to hear the last words of tribute. It was a sorrowful ceremony. There was a lump in the throat of every person in the vast assembly as the deeds of the valiant official were extolled by the minister. Strong men wept like children as the coffin lid was closed over the face that had always been illuminated by love for his fellow men.

Women wondered, men were startled a little, children shook their heads when Rev. Mr. Lockwood started the throng midway in his eulogy by asserting that were Sheriff Tillman D. Taylor alive, he would never consent to the lynching of the five outlaws who now defy capture and for whom the entire countryside has become a posse.

B. F. Johnson, the Oregon & Western Colonization Co. representative, was in town this week from Prineville, looking after some company business.

The new Department of the Burns Cash Store is nearing completion. They have moved the stock from the old stand at the Levens building and are now occupying their new home. They now have the two departments under the same roof, making a very attractive store, and when the front is completed, which is delayed on the account of glass, it will be one of our most attractive buildings from the out as well as the inside.



RUSTY SHOULDERS are rare in THIS MAN'S TOWN. EVERYBODY has them—(the shoulders)—to the wheel heaving, pushing **BOOSTING** for OUR TOWN and neighborhood.

It is a community steadily growing in prosperity. The big reason for such growth is loyalty and SERVICE.

The business and public-spirited men LONG AGO realized that if OUR TOWN wanted to maintain a substantial position, their success must be built upon the foundations of CLOSEST RELATIONSHIP.

That relationship is possible through having SOMETHING to offer—and making the offerings KNOWN. It is the principle of BOOSTING our community.

A town is no stronger than its BUSINESS—the business of its merchants and neighboring farmers.

The way to show these honest, sincere merchants of town and country that you appreciate the stand they have taken, and are taking every day in BOOSTING this town—is to read their advertisements—patronize them. BUY YOUR GOODS of the men who are keeping our town in the prosperous habit.

In that way you'll be doing your BOOSTING.

BIRD BILL FROWNED ON WILL RETARD IRRIGATION

Engineers Say Proposition is One That Will Not Develop State

A Salem special to the Oregonian shop:—That the approval by the voters of Oregon at the November election of the so-called Roosevelt Bird Refuge bill will interfere materially with irrigation interests in the vicinity of Malheur lake, and will retard, rather than develop the state, is set out in a report adopted by the American association of engineers at a meeting held recently in Portland. The report was signed by Percy A. Cupper, state engineer; O. Laurgaard, city engineer of Portland, and J. W. Cunningham. The report in part reads:

"On August 18, 1908, the Malheur lake reservation was created by presidential proclamation for the protection of native birds. This reservation includes all of Harney and Malheur lakes in Harney county. Its boundary line includes not only those lands lying below the meander line of the lake, but also all of those legal subdivisions, any part of which touches the meander line.

"The lake is very shallow and perhaps should more properly be classified as a swamp. Most of the land is suitable for agricultural purposes and will produce hay and forage for stock. It is now proposed to convey to the federal government practically the entire bed of Malheur lake.

"Extensive irrigation will doubtless result in very much less water reaching Malheur lake, and it would seem that this will result either in drying the lake up entirely and causing it to become an alkaline flat similar to Alvold lake or a salt lake similar to Harney lake. It would seem, therefore, that the proper procedure would be to carry forward both irrigation and control of the lake surface simultaneously so that conditions would at all times be under control, and the best interests of the state cared for through a carefully considered and well ordered plan.

"It is probable that the state has a valid right to most of the land within the meander line, consisting of approximately 47,000 acres a large part of which is suitable for agricultural purposes. Properly handled, this should produce a revenue to the school fund of several hundred thousand dollars."

CHAUTAQUA GUARANTORS DELINQUENT

It is a pity that people are so negligent. Many, in fact most, of the Chautauqua guarantors have failed to pay their small assessment of 50 cents each. The night the new contract was signed up and the matter placed before them, part of the guarantors came forward and paid their small sum toward cancelling the obligations of the Chautauqua, but the amount fell short quite a bit because a comparatively few paid.

If this is read by a delinquent it should have the effect of bringing forth the necessary 50 cents. Certainly no honest person wants a few to stand the expense of financing the Chautauqua, besides, when the guarantee is signed it is expected that each will contribute his or her share toward any deficit if there be one. Don't be in the class of those who don't keep up their end of public enterprises.

You Should Be There

L. E. McDaniel—County Agent

Have you received an invitation to attend the Field Day at the Experiment Station on Sunday, August 8th? If not it was because your name was not on our mailing list as 500 invitations were mailed by this office.

However, do not let the fact that you did not receive a card keep you from coming for it will surely be worth your while.

It's Sunday and I'm a Christian, you say! Sure it is and sure you are but do you know of any better way of spending the Lord's Day than being out under the blue vault of heaven looking over the waving heads of grain and grasses, inhaling the fragrance of countless blossoms made possible by the application of the life giving waters of the wells and listening to the explanation of Sup't Shattuck and his assistant, Mr. Richie as they explain their system of producing 90 bushel barley per acre, 3 ton fast cutting alfalfa, tell how, short handed and working an average of 16 hours a day, they are demonstrating the wonderful possibilities of the soils of Harney County properly handled.

If you know of a better way, then you are a poorer Christian than I thought you were. It is easier and more convenient to get down on your marrow bones and pray the Lord to show you how to do better than it is to walk over the station fields and with open minds see and hear how you can help yourself.

In all seriousness, folks, its worth while for all of us, regardless of our beliefs or affiliations, to take a day off now and then for recreation. We will all be the better for it; we will all be able to do better work; we meet others who give us inspiration; and we will all be better citizens.

After all what is life, if it isn't a collection of just such pleasant occasions taken as we go along life's pathway? Those who wait till some future time to take their pleasure, oftentimes find they have lost the ability to enjoy themselves.

Attend on that day with all your family and you will go home feeling that you have experienced one of those rare occasions where a day has been spent both pleasantly and profitably to yourself, and in addition you have given encouragement by your presence to men who work long and earnestly without expectation of reward other than the feeling of work well done.

Mrs. Tom Allen left last week for Enterprise where she will visit her son Fred for a time going later to Portland and possibly California in the hope that the lower altitude will benefit her health.

Roy Dwyer is using his very best efforts these days to furnish us with lights. He is using the water power when possible but finds it is not adequate for the load part of the time and then he uses his engine. He cannot get the proper fuel to use in this engine so he is using a mixture of gasoline and kerosene. Mr. Dwyer insists he is not making operating expenses at present but hopes for better things in the future when we get the irrigation project under way and the community advances.

MALHEUR ENTERPRISE EXPLAINS CONDITIONS

Greatest Injustice Perpetrated On Counties of Interior; Co-operation Necessary.

The following article is a clipping taken from the Malheur Enterprise on the postal order which went into effect the 26 of this month, and is a question that we should all have an interest in, and get together to contrive a method for its remedy:

The recent order of the Postoffice Department in the matter of removing its postal clerks, of which there are four on the Ontario-Crane branch of the Oregon Short Line, if put into full effect on Monday July 26th will prove to be the greatest injustice that has ever been perpetrated on Malheur County and the counties contributory hereto in the interior. The postal department has ordered an increase of salary of the mail clerks and that together with the provisions of the new law passed recently, which provides that branches such as ours must have five postoffices thereon in order to be entitled to the services of railway mail clerks are taken to be the contributing cause of the order as it now stands of record. This one means that mail for Vale and points interior thereto will have to be routed in the Ontario postoffice and the mail for Burns will be from twenty-four to thirty-six hours delayed as compared to the present schedule; the mail of Vale for instance will have to lay in Ontario until made up and locked up for Vale which will take time and mail which has been coming from Boise in the past and is now being discriminated against in the matter of mails, will have to lay in Ontario postoffice for 24 hours, for it comes from Boise on the Pony arriving in Ontario at 10:00 a. m. and it could not possibly be routed until the next day for our local train.

The Editor of the Enterprise has taken this matter up with Senator Geo. Chamberlain, and with the United States Congressman Nick Simons by telegram and in addition there to has also taken the matter up with them by wire for the Vale Chamber of Commerce. Both answered immediately and have taken steps to hold the order in abeyance until a full hearing can be had. In the meantime it behooves all interest in Burns and in every part of Harney and Malheur Counties to work as they have never worked for anything or any issue in the past to see that the Venator postoffice for which petition has been made, is instituted and put on the railroad, so that the technicalities of the postoffice Department are complied with and the order is rescinded.

Establish one of these new postoffices that are now being sought, one at Peach, one at Namorf, ten miles west of Harper, and a third one at Venator. Work for all three, they are needed.

It is suggested that Editor George E. Carter of the Crane American; and Editor J. A. Byrd, of the Harney County news at Burns, together with the business men will join with us in this issue, so that we will not be subjected to this inconvenient indignity that puts thousands of people out of the ken of the rights of American citizens.

Come in one and all and fight until we are successful in having this order rescinded for all time to come. Take the matter up with our representatives in both houses of the national congress, by presenting the facts to them. They will in turn see that the residents of Harney and of Malheur Counties are given justice.

Yours very sincerely,

Malheur Publishing Company
William Francis F. Seaman,
Manager

RABBIT BOUNTY PETITIONS BEING CIRCULATED

Petitions asking that the proposition of a bounty on jack rabbits be placed on the ballot this fall are being circulated. Those interested and desire to circulate one are requested to let Chester Dalton know of their desire